2009 MUNICIPAL ELECTION CALENDAR

	Second Tuesday in April	First Tuesday after first Monday in June	Combine with school on third Tuesday in June *
Publish two consecutive weekly notices of vacancies and time and place for filing petitions. (9-13-6 or 9-13-40 & 5:02:04:06; 13-7-5 & 5:02:04:14)	January 15 - 30	February 15 - March 1	March 15-30
Earliest date to begin petition circulation and earliest date to file nominating petition. (9-13-9, 9-13-40 & 13-7-6)	January 30	March 1	April 7
Publish first of two consecutive weekly voter registration notices. (12-4-5.2 & 5:02:04:04)	March 9-13	April 27-May 1	May 11-15
Deadline for filing nominating petition. (9-13-7, 9-13-40 & 13-7-6)	February 27, 5pm	March 31, 5pm	May 8, 5pm
Deadline for submission of written request to withdraw candidate's name from nomination. (9-13-7.1, 13-7-7)	February 27, 5pm	March 31, 5pm	May 8, 5pm
Publish last of two consecutive weekly voter registration notices. (12-4-5.2 & 5:02:04:04)	March 16-20	May 4-8	May 18-22
Deadline for voter registration. (12-4-5)	March 30	May 18	June 1
Absentee ballots must be made available no later than 15 days prior to the election. (9-13-21)	March 30	May 18	June 1
Publish two consecutive weekly notices of election. First publication must be at least 10 days before election. (9-13-13 & 5:02:04:08 or 13-7-8 & 5:02:04:15)	March 30 - April 10	May 18 – May 29	June 1-12
Publish facsimile ballot in the calendar week before the election. (9-13-13)	April 6-10	May 25-29	June 8-12
Automatic tabulating systems only. Conduct a public test of the system. Must publish notice 48 hours before test. (12-17B-5 & 5:02:09:01.01)	April 4-13	May 23 – June 1	June 6-15
Election Day. Polls open 7:00am to 7:00pm. (9-13-1)	**April 14**	**June 2**	**June 16**
Deadline for official canvass. (9-13-24)	April 21	June 9	June 23
Notice of run-off election, if needed. Facsimile of the official ballot need not be published for secondary elections. (9-13-27.1; 5:02:04:13)	April 27 – May 1	June 15-19	June 29 – July 3
Run-off Election Day, if needed. (9-13-27)	May 5	June 23	July 7
Deadline for official canvass of run-off election. (9-13-24)	May 12	June 30	July 14

*The optional date may only be used if your election is a combined election with a school election (SDCL 9-13-1.1). School elections may be held anytime from April 14 through June 16. The dates provided here apply to the traditional school election date of June 16.

Cancellation of Municipal Election
In the event of no contest due to the death or withdrawal of a candidate, you will publish one notice of cancellation of municipal election. The format for this notice is in administrative rule 5:02:04:21.

Note: If the school election is combined with a municipal election on a date other than the 2nd Tuesday in April, all dates follow SDCL 13-7.

If you have further questions, please contact the South Dakota Municipal League, 1-800-658-3633 or Secretary of State, 773-3537.